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November 30th completed the first six months volume of the WOODLAND DAILY DEMOCRAT, having commenced June 1st, 1877, and we feel justified in pronouncing it a success. It has been received with favor very generally by the reading public and has been as well patronized, perhaps, as could be expected under the circumstances, and with few exceptions, (which will be apparent to the reader on examination), to the full extent of our expectations. Though not what we would like and are vain enough to think we know how to make the DAILY DEMOCRAT, yet it has helped to bring our town and county into greater prominence than before, and if it is sustained as it should be by our business men and the community generally we promise that it shall grow better with age and be always fully up to the times. Our thanks are hereby extended to all who have so kindly contributed to sustain our little daily to the end of a complete volume of six months. The subscription price is \$6 a year.

Through the telegraphic dispatches our readers have been made aware that there has been a very bitter and closely contested fight going on in the United States Senate for some time past between the two political parties, in order to obtain the supremacy and the organization of that august body. So nearly equal is the division of the parties that first one side will carry a point and then the other. Senator Sharon, a Republican, who was elected to represent the State of Nevada in the Upper House, but who resides in San Francisco, has failed, thus far, to put in an appearance, and various are the comments of the press upon his action in absenting himself at a time when the party control of the United States Senate, with all its vast patronage, was at stake. We append a few expressions:

San Jose Mercury: It is a disgrace to the Pacific Coast, to the Republican party and to the nation, that Senator Sharon should still remain away from his seat, while the Senate is undergoing the misfortunes now upon it. Any man who esteems mining stocks of more importance than he does either his own honor or the party he swore to support, should be impeached from the body he has betrayed.

Gold Hill (Nev.) News: Probably no man in the nation occupies so prominent a position as the Hon. William Sharon, United States Senator from Nevada. He holds in his hands the very existence of the Republican party. He can preserve it or ruin it. He is, to all intents and purposes, the Warwick of to-day. By going to Washington and casting his vote with the Republicans, he can save his party supremacy.

Stockton Herald: The only act of Sharon since he was elected to the United States Senate that he ought to receive any credit for is that of staying away from Washington at this interesting juncture of affairs.

New York Evening Post: Probably there is no parallel for this man's shameless neglect of duty. His indifference to party obligations is securing him from denunciation from persons who have observed without protest his carelessness of official responsibilities. He votes against the Republicans in effect by his absence from the Senate, and the reasons for his absence are as selfish and unworthy as any can be. He stays from Washington in order to make money in San Francisco.

The San Francisco Chronicle explains that the reason the great "Silver Senator" fails to put in an appearance at Washington is, because he has the Palace Hotel to look after, also several hundred tons of bullion, besides having to watch the stock market in which of course he is greatly interested. May it not be, however, that he does not want Republican ascendancy to continue longer in the United States Senate? His voluntary and protracted absence is certainly susceptible of that conclusion, whether correct or not; and while the question "why this is thus" is open to speculation, the control of the Senate is passing to the Democratic side. And Senator Sharon is in great measure responsible for the changed condition.

KILLED BY SMOKING.

Another death is reported by the Charlestown Patriot from tobacco smoking. The victim was fourteen years of age, and resided with his parents at 9 Grove place, Waterford road. For some time past he had been in the habit of smoking to such an extent as to make him delirious. On Monday last he complained to his mother of feeling unwell. On being questioned, he said that he had been smoking all the morning, and that he felt a tremendous pain in his chest. Deceased was put to bed, and on the following morning he was found dead. The medical testimony went to show that death resulted from nicotine, an oil extracted from tobacco, and a verdict to that effect was returned.

THE COST OF A MURDERER.

The following from the Napa Register concerning the cost of criminal prosecutions will be of interest to taxpayers generally: "Crime is a great creator of taxes. The law-abiding and frugal citizens have to pay for the crimes which the vicious and the vagabonds commit. As an illustration of the cost of a criminal to the community take the case of Andreas Mateo, the Indian, who was hung in this county. He was tried for the murder of two men—having two trials, and being convicted in each—in the former of murder in the second degree, and in the latter of murder in the first degree. We are enabled, by the courtesy of County Clerk Ward and Sheriff James, to print a detailed statement of the expenses attending the crime and punishment of Mateo. The items in some cases are only approximations and it is possible that some items of expense have been overlooked altogether; so the total amount stated as the cost may fall somewhat short of the actual expenses. It should also be borne in mind that no account is taken of the salaries of the Judge and Clerk and some other court expenses, for the following is the statement:

First and preliminary examination by Justice..... \$20.00
Grand Jury..... 40.00
Trial Jury..... 300.00
Sheriff's attendance in Court..... 15.00
District Attorney's fee for conviction..... 25.00
Witnesses..... 37.00
Court reporter..... 77.00
Copy of testimony for Governor..... 47.00
Constables fees for serving papers..... 20.00
Interpreter..... 18.00
Board of prisoner..... 120.00
Scaffold, rope, etc..... 60.00
Sheriff's fees for execution..... 20.00
Eight Deputies for execution..... 32.00
Undertaker..... 20.00
Total..... \$967.00

REMONETIZING COPPER.

If there is to be any remonetizing, says the Healdsburg Flag, of November 29th, we are in favor of that of copper. One of the standing necessities of this coast has always been some means that would facilitate the making of close change,—some way of paying one, two or three cents for a postage stamp, six cents for car fare, or of buying an article of the value of 12 or 13 cents without being swindled at the ratio of 10 to 20 per cent. in paying for it. The extravagant disregard of small sums which has hitherto characterized Californians is working out its results to-day in much of the misery and penury which prevails, and one of the readiest means of remedying the evil is a return to an appreciation of small change. Let any one make an estimate of the frequency with which he has to spend five cents when he requires only the value of two or three, the many long bits that are paid because there happens to be no dime at hand—or a false sort of shame with regard to paying with a short bit—and the sum total thus wasted in course of a year will be found to constitute no small percentage of most people's expenditures.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The session opened at noon, nearly all the members of both branches being present. The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor James A. Johnson, and the Assembly by Hon. Robert Ferral, Clerk of the last House. In the Senate the oath of office was administered to the newly elected members by Hon. T. B. Reardon, Judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District; and in the Assembly the same ceremony was performed by Justice McKinstry of the Supreme Court. The only absentees were Cooley, Swift and Mayfield in the Assembly, and Donovan, Brown and Whitney in the Senate. After adopting the standing rules of the last session in both branches, they adjourned respectively till Tuesday noon.

Within ten years, no less than 12,000,000 acres of forest have been cut down or burned over in the United States. Much of the timber is used for fuel, twenty-five cities have on record as consuming from 5,000 to 10,000 acres each. Fences use up much timber, and railway sleepers require the product of 150,000 acres per annum. The amount of pine and lumber timber yet standing in the forests of the timber States, is estimated at 225,000,000,000 feet. The sum of \$14,000,000,000 is invested in the timber industry, employing 200,000 men.

The Calaveras Chronicle of Saturday has an article on the claims of W. M. Gwin for United States Senator. The article closes as follows: "In point of ability Mr. Gwin is certainly the peer, if not the superior of any candidate mentioned. While he has the additional qualification of extensive political experience. Personally he is well fitted for the place and politically he is the embodiment of the principles of the right wing of the party in power. The next United States Senator should, and probably will be, Wm. M. Gwin."

CORRESPONDENCE.

We expect to furnish legislative letters from the same correspondent who has supplied us the last three sessions, two or three times a week, and often when there is anything of particular importance transpiring.

RAIN TABLE FOR SACRAMENTO.

Arranged According to the Seasons, Showing the Amount in Inches of Each Month During Twenty-Eight Years, and for Each Rainy Season; also, the Annual Amount of Rain.

[From the Sacramento Record-Union.]
With the commencement of the rainy season for 1877-8, an examination of the following rain table will prove of interest. It is the settled practice among scientists to record the yearly rain season as commencing with September and ending in August, and the following table is arranged according to that rule. The compilation is made from measurements kept by the late Dr. T. M. Logan, and since his death by Dr. F. W. Hatch and S. H. Gerrish:

SEASONS OF																												
	1849-50	1850-51	1851-52	1852-53	1853-54	1854-55	1855-56	1856-57	1857-58	1858-59	1859-60	1860-61	1861-62	1862-63	1863-64	1864-65	1865-66	1866-67	1867-68	1868-69	1869-70	1870-71	1871-72	1872-73	1873-74	1874-75	1875-76	1876-77
September	1.5	1.8	1.1	1.5	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.3	1.7	1.9	1.2	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.1	1.5	1.3	1.7	1.9	1.2	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.1	1.5	1.3	1.7
October	2.1	2.4	1.6	2.0	1.4	1.8	2.2	2.5	1.7	2.1	2.3	1.5	1.9	1.3	2.7	2.0	2.3	2.6	1.8	2.2	2.4	1.6	2.0	1.4	1.8	2.2	2.5	1.7
November	3.2	3.5	2.3	2.8	1.9	2.5	3.0	3.4	2.4	2.9	3.1	2.2	2.7	2.0	3.6	2.8	3.2	3.5	2.3	2.8	1.9	2.5	3.0	3.4	2.4	2.9	3.1	2.2
December	4.7	5.0	3.4	4.0	2.8	3.5	4.1	4.5	3.3	3.9	4.2	3.1	3.6	2.7	4.8	3.7	4.3	4.6	3.4	4.0	2.8	3.5	4.1	4.5	3.3	3.9	4.2	3.1
January	5.8	6.1	4.2	4.8	3.5	4.2	4.9	5.3	4.0	4.6	4.9	3.7	4.3	3.2	5.1	4.0	4.7	5.0	3.8	4.4	3.2	3.9	4.6	5.0	3.7	4.3	4.6	3.7
February	6.9	7.2	5.1	5.7	4.2	4.9	5.6	6.0	4.5	5.2	5.5	4.3	4.9	3.6	5.4	4.3	5.0	5.3	4.1	4.7	3.5	4.2	4.9	5.3	4.0	4.6	4.9	3.5
March	7.8	8.1	5.8	6.4	4.7	5.4	6.1	6.5	4.9	5.6	5.9	4.6	5.2	3.9	5.7	4.6	5.3	5.6	4.4	5.0	3.8	4.5	5.2	5.6	4.3	4.9	5.2	3.9
April	8.9	9.2	6.9	7.5	5.4	6.1	6.8	7.2	5.6	6.3	6.6	5.3	5.9	4.6	6.0	4.9	5.6	5.9	4.7	5.3	4.1	4.8	5.5	5.9	4.6	5.2	5.5	4.2
May	9.8	10.1	7.8	8.4	6.1	6.8	7.5	7.9	6.3	7.0	7.3	6.0	6.6	5.3	6.1	5.0	5.7	6.0	4.8	5.4	4.2	4.9	5.6	6.0	4.7	5.3	5.6	4.3
June	10.9	11.2	8.9	9.5	7.2	7.9	8.6	9.0	7.4	8.1	8.4	7.1	7.7	6.4	6.2	5.1	5.8	6.1	4.9	5.5	4.3	5.0	5.7	6.1	4.8	5.4	5.7	4.4
July	11.8	12.1	9.8	10.4	8.1	8.8	9.5	9.9	8.3	9.0	9.3	8.0	8.6	7.3	6.1	5.0	5.7	6.0	4.8	5.4	4.2	4.9	5.6	6.0	4.7	5.3	5.6	4.4
August	12.9	13.2	10.9	11.5	9.2	9.9	10.6	11.0	9.4	10.1	10.4	9.1	9.7	8.4	7.2	6.1	6.8	7.1	5.9	6.5	5.3	6.0	6.7	7.1	5.8	6.4	6.7	5.1
Total	30.000	4.710	12.950	26.395	20.065	18.620	18.720	10.418	18.801	16.641	22.620	15.816	35.340	11.730	7.868	22.512	17.924	25.306	32.700	16.641	13.722	8.470	24.632	14.208	22.888	32.700	20.161	9.305

KELLOGG'S UGLY DILEMMA.

Reports from informed parties in Louisiana and Washington, says the Examiner, indicates that Kellogg's time in the Senate will be of short duration. He will probably be indicted for misappropriation of the public funds and peculation in office while serving as Governor. As these are criminal acts, if proven upon him, the seat which he has by fraud and force obtained in the Senate will be forfeited, and the election of a Democrat in his place may be reckoned as a foregone conclusion. All the time "the mills keep grinding."

THE LEGISLATURE.

On Monday the Legislature of California convened at Sacramento. The city is alive already with members, attaches and those seeking positions, and the hotels are crowded to overflowing. The first matter to create excitement is the election of a United States Senator to succeed Sargent. There are of course several candidates for this distinguished and honorable position. We imagine the contest lies between Haight, MacDonald and Farley as the most prominent gentlemen who have been named; but we shall probably not be kept long in suspense.

CONGRESS.

The forty-fifth session of Congress convened Monday, the extra session having continued till the regular session. With Congress and the Legislature both in operation, there will be law-making enough done during the next few months.

Latest Telegraphic News.

Associated Press Special Dispatches to the Daily Democrat.

Fire at Jackson.

JACKSON, Dec. 5.—A fire is raging here by which a whole block has been burned and the fire is still raging. Heavy fighting was reported on Friday in the direction of Tirova, from which place the Russians were ultimately driven away, losing over 3,000 men. It is also reported that the Turks are now bombarding Tirova. All the available surgeons and dressers are going to Osman Bazar.

The Mint Appointment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The papers here say that Dodge's appointment to the Mint will be a triumph of Linderman and Sargent in favor of certain banks for the purchase of bullion.

Senatorial Matters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Louisiana Kellogg says there is trouble in store for Kellogg which may cost him his seat.

Senator Butler is preparing a vindication of the charge against him. Executive nominations will go over, awaiting the decision of the House. The Democrats ask for larger representation on the Senate Committee.

Abandonment of Turkish Strongholds.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—After the capture of Erzerum, the Turkish strongholds, Novatchen, Serlivena and Orchanie. Reports say it is contemplated that a sortie will be made from Plevna.

The Turkish Abandonment.

At Batoum and the Russians occupied them.

An Appeal to MacMahon.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—1,500 mercenaries and manufacturers are appealed to MacMahon to yield to the will of the majority in patriotism and the interest of the International Exposition.

The Pope.

ROME, Dec. 5.—The Pope has been inexcusable for three hours. He is no better.

Hayes and Sherman in Accord.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A Times Washington special says that the Secretary of the Treasury and the President will make no further changes in the current silver question, and it is quite certain that the publication of the message and report will be a tendency to help forward the sale of the four per cent bonds and the funding of the public debt.

Hayes and the Senate.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A World Washington special says: Whatever may be the force of the threats, there seems to be no doubt that the President has become somewhat alarmed over the course of the Senate on his appointment, and will make some changes if opportunity is afforded him. For instance, if the nomination of Lawrence, for Collector of New Orleans fails, there is no doubt he will nominate Packard. Packard's friends have assurance of this. If this is done it will be taken as evidence of a very decided change in the class of appointments in the President's hands, and will be regarded as a signal for further change.

Eustis to be Seated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The Herald's Washington special says: Eustis will be seated within the present week, and when he is seated the States in the Union will be once more fully represented in the Senate, and the war will be over. At least there would seem to be no further reason to speak of the Southern question.

Russians Repulsed.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Russians on the 28th and 29th attempted to push on from Etropol and Elize, at the southern junction of the Russian frontiers and Etropol, but were repulsed with heavy loss.

The Montenegrans.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The Montenegrans have occupied Sutorina.

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The Cretes Will Rise.

Public feeling in Crete favors a rising after the fall of Plevna.

Servia and the Servians.

The Servians will soon declare their independence. Servia demands satisfaction from the Porte for continued violations on the Servian frontier.

The Turks are leaving Plevna saying there is nothing to eat there.

France and MacMahon.

PARIS, Dec. 4.—A new Ministry is to be formed.

MacMahon refuses overtures from the Left.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—The President's message has been received. It is an able and sensible state paper. It says he is satisfied with his Southern policy, and congratulates the people on the restoration of fraternal relations and favors a speedy resumption of specie payments.

On the Silver Question he takes middle ground, and recommends a return to the gold standard.

He affirms his expressed views on Civil Service Reform, and recommends the establishment of a Civil Service Commission. He recommends Congress to better protect the Rio Grande.

The proposed subscription to the four per cent loan, confirms the idea that it is good and recommends the increase of the army.

The report is in circulation that McDonald will withdraw from the Senatorial contest.

Packard and Hayes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Packard is recommended for the New Orleans Collectorship.

Hayes and Stubbins.

The President is determined to maintain his appointing power. Hayes and Sherman are in accord on the currency question.

Eustis.

Eustis will be seated this week.

More Indian Outrages in Texas.

Indian outrages in Western Texas are reported.

Bowles' Condition.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 4.—Bowles' condition is still dangerous.

Sitting Bull.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—Sitting Bull says he misunderstood the commission. He would like to have returned.

More Fighting—The Turks Claim Important Successes.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 4.—The Turkish troops are reported to have disembarked at Duleigno, the citadel of which was not taken as previously reported.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 4.—Mehemet Ali telegraphed from Kamarti yesterday as follows: To-day after violently

THE MINT SUPERINTENDENCY.

It seems altogether probable, says Monday's Examiner, that Mr. Henry L. Dodge, late one of the three Commissioners to investigate the condition of affairs in the San Francisco Mint, is himself to be appointed Superintendent, in place of Gen. LaGrange. And it is rumored that the appointment will be a triumph of Sargent and the "Ring," over Booth and Civil Service Reform; that it will be in the interest of Gov. Lowe's Anglo-American Bank, Seligman and the Syndicate, in the purchase of bullion for the Mint; and that Low himself, who was Chairman of the Investigating Commission, is a party to the arrangement. That Dr. Linderman has all the time been working in Sargent's behalf is an open secret. He doubtless has his reasons. But if Secretary Sherman and Hayes care to apply their own Civil Service Reform doctrine in the case, the Superintendent will be given to Mr. Catlin whose integrity is unimpeachable, and whose ability and long service in the Mint will not be denied, however, we are very confident. Catlin's honesty is the very quality for which Sargent and the "Ring" oppose him. Nor is he pliable. He cannot be influenced by unworthy motives, and threats and persuasions are alike futile when he believes his course to be right. Mr. Dodge has not conspicuously figured in politics heretofore. Just how he may act as a Federal officer remains to be seen. But the probabilities are very strong that Sargent and the "Ring" would never press his appointment unless they were very well assured of his fealty to their partisan interests. And the bullion purchase will be a big thing for Gov. Lowe and his Bank. The Radical idea of an Investigation Commission, these days, seems to be to report the incumbents out of office, and recommend the Commissioners themselves in. It is rotation in office actually with a vengeance.

James Lick's Monument.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—The Lick monument has been rejected at Jamestown, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania. It weighs seventy tons, and the price of bringing it from Scotland was \$2,015.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Orders have been issued for the departure of a number of troops, cavalry, artillery and infantry, to the Rio Grande in the interest of the war and the security of the people from raiding parties.

Arrested for Forgery.

BOSTON, Dec. 4.—Richard Peabody, commission agent for Van Slyke and Murray, lumber dealers to Johnson, Vermont, has been arrested for forgery of notes amounting to \$13,000.

Condition of the Pope—False Reports.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—A London correspondent says: It was thought the Pope was in a critical condition, rumors to that effect being believed even at the Vatican. In consequence of the report an immense crowd gathered at St. Peter's yesterday morning. The truth is, the Pope is slightly better. A silver ball has been inserted into the sore on his leg, which will act as a safety valve and induce suppuration, and may prolong his life for some days yet.

Great Britain and Servia.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The British Government is opposed to Servia taking part in the war.

Prince Milan addressed his soldiers, saying he was well armed and had a powerful ally.

Indications are that England will abstain from interference.

Erzerum.

The bombardment of Erzerum has commenced.

Rumanians.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Rumanians are about to make another attempt to capture the second Galatz redoubt.

Steamer Calcutta.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The steamer Peninsular in the Indian Ocean, with the British steamer Oasis and both sunk. The crews were saved.

France and Her Troubles.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—Senator Due Levies' personal proposal to modify the law for the revision of the Constitution is eagerly seized upon as a pretext for a second dissolution.

Verisables, Dec. 5.—There has been an extension of delay in the Chamber.

Gambetta counselled firmness, and said it will be seen whether the nation or one man commanded.

Interrail and Desert Lands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Lull has presented a pamphlet of allitt, concerning the desert land grab of Carr, Higgins and Co. They were referred to the Desert Land Commission.

Remonstrance.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The caucus of Republicans grant the Democrats a larger representation in the Senate.

Indian Troubles at Deadwood.

DEADWOOD, Dec. 5.—Troops are ordered to Deadwood on forced marches. Deadwood is surrounded by Indians.

Later—The Deadwood stage reports a captured train of eight wagons of provisions, the Indians numbering 600. The north stage was not molested. Troops are being called from all quarters. Great excitement prevails.

Latest Stock Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 5.
Gold—Open in New York this morning at 125 1/2, closing at 125 1/2. Bid 125 1/2, Offer 125 1/2.
Silver—Open in New York at 67 1/2, closing at 67 1/2. Bid 67 1/2, Offer 67 1/2.
Wheat—Open in New York at 1 1/2, closing at 1 1/2. Bid 1 1/2, Offer 1 1/2.
Flour—Open in New York at 1

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